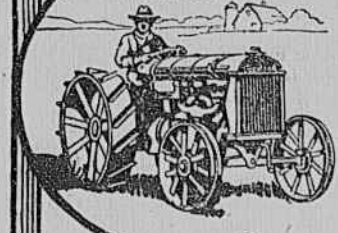


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fit consisting of a rose colored skirt, blue voile waist, blue sash, white hose and white shoes, green coat lined with yellow and a blue hat trimmed with black ostrich feathers and rose streamers. The honor guest, Miss Tackett, wore a red calico apron, yellow hose, white shoes, blue hat and a rose colored scarf. Miss Vanhuss had an exquisite combination of colors—black shoes, green hose, white skirt, black waist, blue coat and a red hat turned smartly up in the back and trimmed with grey flowers and black feathers. Doc Yearly wore a full dress suit made of grass sacks. Miss Joe Nelms wore a lovely waist made from a patch work quilt, grey skirt, red hat with a large red plume drooping gracefully over the crown and shading the eyes. As she could not tell about the weather she brought along a rain stick. Miss Elizabeth Crowell wore a lovely evening creation of brown skirt, red waist, red yarn hose, black hat and shell rimmed "specks."

Those present were: Misses Vanhuss, Tackett, Denny, Kelly, Nelms, Wynn, Rogers, Foster, Gish, Crowell, Verda and Vera King, Ada King, Young, Marsee; Messdames Hatcher and Anderson, and Messrs. Smalley, Brooks, Walker, King, Yearly, Hall, Russell, Fry, Zion, Wells, Forester, Fleener, Horney, Parsons, Nelms, Thompson, Anderson and Kelly.

—Powell Valley News

## Appoints Shepherd.

Appalachia, Va., Nov. 16.—R. J. Shepherd has been appointed postmaster to succeed S. S. Brooks. Mr. Brooks has been postmaster here for eight years and has been a faithful, competent official during that time. Mr. Shepherd is well known to the people here, having lived in this vicinity for a number of years. He was formerly connected with the Virginia Iron, Coal & Coke Company, of Inman, Va. Mr. Shepherd will take charge of the office November 21.

Every time we try to lay up something for a rainy day a premature rain comes along and washes it all away. This business of continually starting all over again possesses merits, though. It prevents us good men from contracting those vicious habits of the idle rich.

The men who are now accomplishing great things began life in the proper way. They never neglected the little things.

The hustler takes what life has in store for him and then goes out and gathers in a little more.

When some people reach the top of the ladder of success they climb down again to see if anything has been overlooked.

Our idea of a real diplomat is a fellow who can keep a woman from spilling the beans when she has a spy secret to tell.

We have a profound respect for the wisdom and sagacity of a certain citizen of this town. He frankly admits that he doesn't know it all.

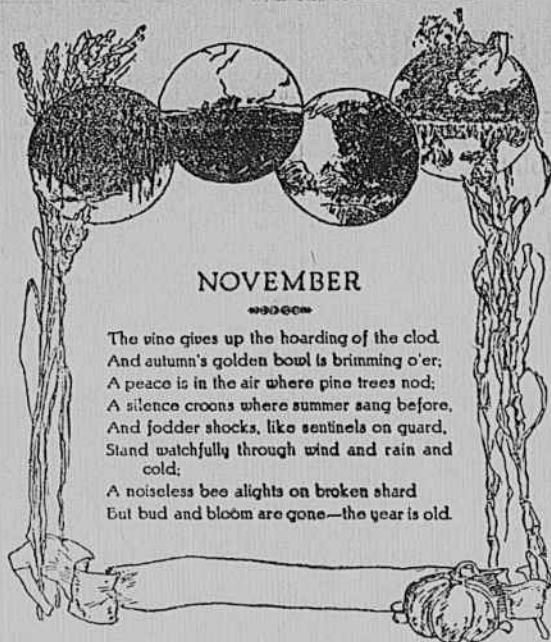
Wise people seldom allow themselves to become disappointed. When things do not go to suit them they either find the remedy or make it convenient to be satisfied with them as they are.

If you don't like your neighbor and want him to move, begin telling your troubles to him each day. He'll soon get enough.

That college professor who remarked that ninety per cent. of the women are ugly is a disappointed old bird. Most of the editors forgot to mention his name.

There is plenty of room at the top of the ladder, but many people object to the exertion of climbing.

The great trouble with golden opportunities is the fact that they seldom tarry long enough to catch them.



## DAY FOR THANKS

Presidential Proclamations Are Prepared With Care.

State Department Specialist Draws Them Up Before They Are Submitted for Presidential Signature.

It is a mistake to suppose that the annual Thanksgiving proclamation of the President of the United States is always written or dictated by the President. As a matter of fact, about all the President has to do with

issued on Jan. 1, 1795, and set apart the following Feb. 19 as a day for Thanksgiving and prayer.

Any one who desires to see all the Thanksgiving proclamations issued by Presidents of the United States will find them preserved in red leather volumes in the State department.

Some years ago, observes a writer of national reputation, I had the rare pleasure of having an official of the State department show to me the proclamations issued relative to Thanksgiving day. They are all handsomely bound in red leather keepers, and it was gratifying to see with what care those documents were kept. Even the one issued by President George Washington was there in all its glory. But it was not concern

By the President of the United States of America  
A Proclamation

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It is to sign his name to it. The actual composition of the Thanksgiving proclamation is the work of a specialist in the State department at Washington.

He endeavors, year after year, to express practically the same sentiments in an entirely new way, or at least without repeating verbatim anything that had been said in previous Thanksgiving proclamations. And, as may be readily understood, this task is becoming more difficult with each suc-

cessive annual call for a day of rejoicing and thanksgiving.

The first Thanksgiving proclamation ever issued by a President of the United States was signed by George Washington, and the original document is preserved in the library of the State department. The first draft of the proclamation started off: "In the calamities which afflict so many of the nations;" but Attorney General Edward Randolph did not

offering at the same time in their respective religious assemblies their humble adoration of the Great Sovereign of the Universe, of confessing their sins and transgressions and of strengthening their vows of repentance and amendment. . . . They will be invited by the same solemn occasion to call to mind the distinguished favors conferred on the American people—in their security and in the victories which have so powerfully

Deeply penetrated with this sentiment I George Washington President of the United States do recommend to all Religious Societies and Denominations and to all persons who dwell within the United States to set apart and observe the day of the month of November next as a day of public Thanksgiving and prayer and on that day

approve of such a gloomy beginning for a Thanksgiving message, so he changed it to "When we review the calamities which afflict so many other nations, the present condition of the United States affords much matter of consolation and satisfaction."

Even this sentence was changed, rewritten, corrected, revised, modified and altered several times by various members of the cabinet to whom it was submitted, but it was

contributed to the defense and protection of our country—to safety against dangers from abroad."

While George Washington originated the custom of Thanksgiving, many of his immediate successors did not follow his example, and it was not until Abraham Lincoln became President that the annual Thanksgiving as a November holiday became a regular institution in the United States.

Not our bird of paradise. It is certain that his presence contributes much toward making a paradise of our homes on Thanksgiving day.

THE TURKEY IS AMERICAN.  
The turkey is a genuine American and not what his name would imply. Who that has spent his youth in a turkey raising community fails to recognize the dignity of the turkey cock when, with wings loose, he walks through his domain with his obedient flocks of followers? If the turkey is

Never let day nor night unhallow'd pass, But still remember what the Lord hath done.  
—SHAKESPEARE

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## Basket Ball Schedule

Wednesday, November 23rd.  
Big Stone vs. Coeburn at Big Stone.  
Appalachia vs. East Stone at East Stone.  
Norton vs. Wise at Wise.

Saturday, November 26th.  
Big Stone vs. Norton at Norton.  
East Stone vs. Coeburn at East Stone.  
Appalachia vs. Wise at Appalachia.

Wednesday, November 29th.  
Big Stone vs. Wise at Big Stone.  
East Stone vs. Norton at Norton.  
Appalachia vs. Coeburn at Coeburn.

Saturday, December 3rd.  
Appalachia vs. Wise at Wise.  
East Stone vs. Big Stone at East Stone.  
Norton vs. Coeburn at Norton.

Wednesday, December 7th.  
Norton vs. Coeburn at Coeburn.  
Big Stone vs. East Stone at Big Stone.

Saturday, December 10th.  
East Stone vs. Wise at Wise.  
Appalachia vs. Big Stone at Appalachia.

Wednesday, December 14th.  
Appalachia vs. Big Stone at Big Stone.

## Big Stone Gap District M. E. Church, South.

First Round.  
11. Imboden at Imboden Nov. 26-27  
12. Appalachia at Appalachia Nov. 27-28  
13. Stonegap at Stonegap Dec. 1-2  
14. Reda at Oake Dec. 1-2  
15. Coeburn Cir. at Maytown Dec. 1-2  
16. Coeburn Station Dec. 1-2  
17. Wise Cir. at Pound Dec. 1-2  
18. Wise Station Dec. 1-2  
19. Tom's Creek at Tom's Creek Dec. 1-2  
20. Norton Station Dec. 23-24  
21. Dunganmoot at Dunganmoot Dec. 23-24  
22. Clinchport at Clinchport Jan. 1-2  
23. Nickelsville at Farley's Chapel Jan. 1-2  
24. Gate City Cir. at Webster's Chapel Jan. 1-2  
25. Gate City Station Jan. 1-2  
26. Kingsport Cir. at Epworth Jan. 1-2  
27. Kingsport Station Jan. 1-2  
N. B.—Let pastors make all local arrangements. Announce place and hour of quarterly conference. Avoid announcing quarterly conference for Sunday whenever possible.  
E. A. SHUGART, P. M.

## Special Offer to Subscribers.

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This offer is intended for our former friends, who are urged to take advantage of it at once, because we have only a certain number of subscriptions which we can give free in this way. When they are used this offer will be withdrawn. First come, first served.

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## STEVENSON CHAPTER No. 19

R. A. M.  
Meets third Thursday of each month at 8 p. m. Masonic Hall. Visiting companions welcome.  
C. D. VANDERBILT, H. P. J. H. MATHEWS, Sec'y

## BIG STONE GAP LODGE No. 298

A. F. & A. M.  
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## Dr. J. A. Gilmer

Physician and Surgeon  
OFFICE—Up stairs in Kelly Building, next door to Monte Vista Hotel.

## Big Stone Gap, Va.

## Dr. G. C. Honeycutt

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BIG STONE GAP, VA.  
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## Appalachia

Mrs. J. M. Pendleton, of Seattle, Wash., who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. L. H. Lyons and family here, left for her far away western home this morning. Although Mrs. Pendleton is nearly seventy years of age she made the entire trip alone.

Mrs. C. O. Thomas and family were called to Kingsport last week to attend the funeral of T. J. Moody, father of Mrs. Thomas, who had been stabbed to death by a man who it is said quarreled with Mr. Moody over a trivial affair.

Edward and Martin D. Collier, students at L. B. L. Pennington Gap, were the week-end guests of friends in Appalachia.

Charles Guntner's new stone house on the south end of spruce street is about completed and looks inviting and comfortable, nestled out there amid the trees and rhododendrons near one of the used-to-be most rugged for ests of this section, but which bids fair now to become a densely populated district.

The three Fawbush children, who were left orphans last week when their mother, Mrs. Bertha Fawbush passed away, have been very fortunate in being given good comfortable homes. Victor, eldest son is living with Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Goss, who it is said wish to adopt him into their family. Little Miss Arlene and younger brother, Orville, have been given a home with their sister, Mrs. B. F. Williams, of Appalachia.

The cases of diphtheria reported here, it is said, are well under way and fast dying out.

Miss Blanche Adams delightfully entertained a number of her friends at a party in the home of her sister, Mrs. Dan Moody on Friday night. Games were played and a most enjoyable time reported. Refreshments of hot chocolate, cake, fruits and candies were served. Those present were: Misses Emma-Lou James, Marian Holley, Grace Jackson, Mamie Honeycutt, Gladys and Ruby Mathis, Naomi Jones, Ruth

Pannell, Rose Helen Duffy. Boys were: Hollie Mathis, Roy Dobyns, Ralph Rader, Robert Hendricks, Terry Honeycutt, Adrian Andes.

Programs are being arranged for Christmas trees, treats and entertainments in the Sunday schools of the town.

The primary grades of the public school will give short Thanksgiving exercises Wednesday afternoon and night.

The finishing touches are being put on the new high school building which is a delight to pupils, patrons and faculty, as the old building is too much crowded for comfort, and can not accommodate the large number of pupils enrolled.

## Miss Marsee Gives

"Tacky" Party  
Miss Bertha Marsee entertained a number of her friends Monday, Nov. 7th, with a tacky party in honor of Miss Eula Tackett, who leaves in a few days for New York City.

The party met at the Pennington Pharmacy at 7 o'clock. From there they went to Perle's Cafe, the post office, Quinley and Thompson's, Hotel Pennington and finally to the depot to await the arrival of the train. When number twenty-four arrived most of the party boarded the train and passed through the day coach causing much amusement among the passengers. Leaving the depot the party then made their way to the home of Miss Marsee where they were welcomed by Uncle Pat and Aunt Mary.

When the party was finally settled comfortably the fun began. Numerous funny games were played such as "Pop and Pickle," "Clap in and Clap Out," "Winkie" and various others. Ye Old Virginia Reel was danced to the accompaniment of hand clapping and stamping of feet.

Josephine Nelms won the prize for being the most tacky girl while Wort Zion was the tackiest boy—being a fair imitation of Chas. Chaplin. Prizes awarded were a large box of talcum powder and a cob pipe. The hostess was a lovely out-